

# **Judith Basin County Free Library**

#### **BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives**

Montana's project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

- 1) provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in underserved areas of the country;
- 2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
- 3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

#### **Objectives**

- 1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
- 2) cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
- improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
- 4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
- provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

## **Successes**

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
Central Montana Communications	0.50	3.00

### Judith Basin County Free Library Computing Center Now Offers...

Coby Snapp digital video camera

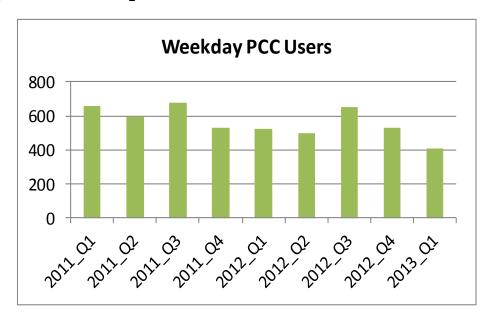
- ♦ 1 laptop computer
- ♦ 1 ZoomText 10 low vision software
- ◆ 1 ZoomText Camera with stand
- ♦ 1 low dexterity mouse
- 1 low vision keyboard
- ♦ iPad
- Kindle Keyboard
- ♦ Kindle Fire
- ♦ Nook Tablet
- Samsung Galaxy Tab
- Google Nexus



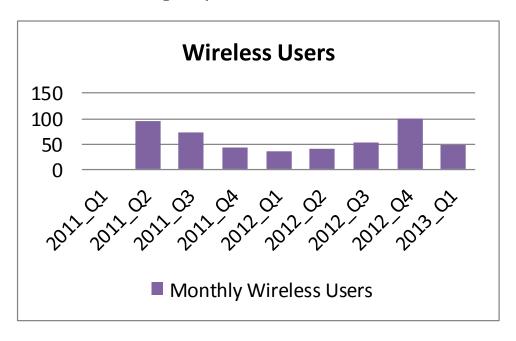
- > Always at least two newspaper articles per month.
- Newspaper articles on going live on Montanalibrary2go.
- Open house with hot cider and cookies during National Library Week.

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Public Computer Center Usage



## Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access



## Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
69.20	339	7